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SUBJECT: VOLUNTARY VISITORS- BICENTENNIAL VISIT OF OFFICIALS

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1. BICENTENNIAL MALLORCAN VISIT CONTINUES TO GROW IN SIZE. NOW HAVE RESERVATIONS FOR 184 PERSONS. HOWEVER, ORGANIZERS RECOGNIZE THAT OUR ASSISTANCE LIMITED TO GROUP OF 100 TO 120 FOR BUS TRANSPORTATION IN CALIFORNIA. THUS, THEY HAVE DIVIDED GROUP INTO MALLORCANS (ABOUT 120) AND MAIN-LANDERS (ABOUT 64) FROM VICH AND VITORIA. AT LEAST ONE ESCORT-INTERPRETER IS NEEDED DURING CALIFORNIA VISIT. FYI NEARLY ALL ARRANGEMENTS FOR CALIFORNIA TRIP WERE FINALIZED THUR A PERSONAL VISIT BY MALLORCAN HISTORIAN FONT OBRADOR IN JULY. GROUP HAS GIVEN UP ANY HOPE OF MEETING WITH GOVERNOR BROWN. PLEASE ADVISE NAME OF BUS COMPANY SUPPLYING TRANSPORTATION FOR GROUP IN CALIFORNIA.

2. THE DUKE OF MAURA, WHO WAS TO ACCOMPANY GROUP AND MAY STILL DO SO, HAS JUST BEEN REPLACED AS GOVERNOR OF BALEARIC ISLANDS. WILL ADVISE YOU IF NEW GOVERNOR PLANS TO ATTEND IN HIS PLACE.

3. SPANISH GROUP STILL HOPEFUL OF MEETING WITH PRESIDENT FORD OR VP ROCKEFELLER ON COLUMBUS DAY.

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WHITE HOUSE VISIT WOULD BE HIGHLIGHT

OF THEIR US TRIP AND SHOULD BE SCHEDULED EVEN THOUGH  
PRESIDENT OR VICE-PRESIDENT CANNOT MEET. ALL 184  
VISITORS WOULD LIKE TO BE INCLUDED IN WHITE HOUSE  
EVENT.

4. MALLORCANS AND COMPANY PLANNING SPEND THREE  
DAYS IN WASHINGTON AREA. THEY WOULD APPRECIATE  
ANY PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS AND EXCURSIONS DEPARTMENT  
COULD ARRANGE. ESCORT-INTERPRETERS NECESSARY.  
KRONOS TRAVEL AGENCY SHOULD HANDLE ALL HOTEL  
AND TRAVEL NEEDS FOR GROUP IN WASHINGTON AREA.  
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